The Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

To Whom It May Concern:

I do not want to pay more for my telephone service! I feel there is enough fees attached to phone bills and utility bills already. Ever since the government forced the breakup of Bell Telephone, phone service has become out of sight. I don't understand why the USF is used to fund phone service and internet service for schools, etc. when the greater part of our tax dollars goes to education every year but education doesn't seem to be improving. Non-profit organizations such as volunteer fire and EMS departments can't even qualify for this type of funding assistance but has to pay business rates. How is this fair? I urge you to reject any flat fee proposal on any phone service, including cell phones and phone cards, that would change how contributions are made to the Universal Service Fund. I am concerned that this proposal could make my current service, and especially those that can least afford it, unaffordable.

As I understand, under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as a high-volume residential or business customers. My family very rarely utilizes long distance service. This type of proposal is unfair and discriminatory!

I use my wireless phone for safety, security and convenience. I don't want to lose these benefits so that big businesses can pay less than their fair share. I urge you to reject the proposal to move the USF collection system to a flat-fee.

I urge the commission to please keep the USF Fair and assess USF fees accordingly!

Sincerely,

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